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SUBJECT PUERTO RICO AT THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AND UN

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1. AMBASSADOR CALLED ON SENATOR DUDLY THOMPSON (MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS) OCTOBER 9 TO TAKE UP PUERTO RICAN QUESTION AND KOREA (SEPTTEL). AMBASSADOR OUTLINED US POSITION (REFTELS), GIVING EMPHASIS TO HIGH IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO THIS ISSUE. GOJ'S SUPPORT FOR US POSITION WAS SOLITICITED IN THE EVENT PUERTO RICAN QUESTION ARISE IN NEW YORK

2. THOMPSON REAFFIRMED GOJ FULLY UNDERSTANDS AND ACCEPTS US POSITION, AND ASSERTED JAMAICAN DELEGATION HAD SUPPORTED THAT POSITION AT LIMA CONFERENCE (HE DID NOT SAY HOW). HE STATED USG NEED NOT WORRY ABOUT JAMAICA'S POSITION SHOULD THE ISSUE ARISE IN NEW YORK. PRIME MINISTER AND HE HAD MADE IT CLEAR EVEN IN CUBA. HOWEVER, "JAMAICAN MISSION IN NEW YORK IS FEELING SOME THIRD WORLD HEAT AND PRESSURE IS BUILDING". HE CLAIMED THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF A LINKAGE BETWEEN BELIZE AND PUERTO RICAN QUESTIONS WHICH COULD CAUSE DIFFICULTIES

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3. COMMENT: ON LATTER POINT IT IS POSSIBLE THOMPSON MAY

BE CONTRIBUTING TO ANY MOVEMENT TO LINK THESE TWO ISSUES
IN ORDER TO BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR ON US. AS DEPARTMENT
AWARE, GOJ FEELS STRONGLY USG SHOULD PLAY GREATER ROLE IN
BELIZE QUESTION, IF ONLY BY ENCOURAGING MEXICANS TO LEAN
ON GUATEMALA

4. AMBASSADOR LEFT AN AIDE MEMOIRE WITH THOMPSON WHICH
SETS OUT US POSITION ON PUERTO RICAN QUESTION, EXPRESSES
APPRECIATION FOR JAMAICA'S PAST UNDERSTANDING, AND SOLICITS
GOJ SUPPORT IN THE EVENT THE ISSUE SHOULD ARISE IN NEW
YORK. AIDE MEMOIRE COINED IN TERMS WHICH SHOULD CAUSE
NO PROBLEMS IN THE EVENT IT GOES PUBLIC. GERARD

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